

**NOTICE OF A PRELIMINARY DECISION TO ISSUE
A SIGNIFICANT AMENDMENT TO AN AQUIFER PROTECTION PERMIT
RAINBOW VALLEY TOPSOIL AND LANDFILL
MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA**

Pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code (AAC), Title 18, Chapter 9, Article 1, the Director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) intends to issue an amended Aquifer Protection Permit (APP) to Glenn Weinberger Topsoil, Inc., for an expansion of the Rainbow Valley Topsoil and Landfill facility. The Rainbow Valley Topsoil and Landfill facility is located at 39500 S. 99th Avenue, Mobile, Arizona 85139. **This notice commences a 30-day written public comment period from September 8, 2015 through October 7, 2015.**

The Rainbow Valley Topsoil and Landfill facility is an active non-municipal solid waste landfill that began operating in September 1999. The proposed permit amendment incorporates the addition of two (2) 20-acre parcels that increase the landfill property area from 276 acres to 316 acres, and the landfill footprint from 231 acres to 246 acres. 30 acres of the property area are still reserved for the Waterman Wash 100-year floodplain. The proposed permit amendment also increases the maximum excavation depth by 20 feet, from 60 feet below ground surface (bgs) to 80 feet bgs, and increases the final landfill height by 190 feet, from 60 feet to 250 feet. The increase in the maximum excavation depth and final landfill height increases the design capacity of the landfill from 21,500,000 cubic yards to 74,400,000 cubic yards.

The draft permit may be viewed online at <http://azdeq.gov/cgi-bin/vertical.pl> by accessing the notice on the Events and Notices Calendar for the date of this public notice. The complete record is available at the ADEQ Phoenix Office at 1110 West Washington Street and may be reviewed from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding State holidays. To arrange an appointment to review this record at ADEQ, contact the ADEQ Records Center at (602) 771-4380 or email at recordscenter@azdeq.gov.

ADEQ invites all interested persons to submit written comments concerning the proposed modifications. All written comments must be signed by the person making the comments and include his/her name and address. **All comments must be submitted to ADEQ postmarked by the close of the public comment period on October 7, 2015.** Submit your comments to:

ADEQ Permits & Plan Review Unit
Attn: Anthony Leverock
1110 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

ADEQ will review all written comments. If the Director finds a significant degree of public interest in the proposed modifications, or he finds that a hearing may clarify one or more issues involved in the modification approval, the Director will schedule a public hearing on this matter.